MINERS ENTOMBED.

TWENTY-NINE LIVES LOST NEAR DAYTON, TENNESSEE.

Explosion of Fire-Damp-No Hope of Escape for the Imprisoned Men-Heartrending Scenes at the

HATTANOOGA, TENN., December Twenty-nine miners lost their lives oday in the Nelson mine, Entry 10, near Tonn., by an explosion of fire-The explosion was succeeded by errific crash, which indicated that ne roof of the passage through which to men had entered, had fallen in. No avenue of escape was left, and there in possibility that any of the men will

The mine is the property of the Dayton val and Iron Company, is three miles from the town of Dayton, and is reached by a spur track,

the men, both white and colored, ining several boys, entered the mine go to work at 7 o'clock this morning. at nothing of the awful catastrophe was sees till It o'clock, when the drivers Entry 10 found their way blocked by

wall of coal and slate.

Nelson mine has been worked for
years or more, and the entry unfortunate miners are en nbed ran back more than two miles mouth of the mine. The mine he kind common in southern coal-known as drifts or level-veined and is worked in the direction of in straight into the face of the in, but before the entry is reached slope extends to a level several l yards below, at an angle of ng parties have been working

forcing an opening through the failen rooting, which must be a as they proceed. The foul safe as they proceed. The foul cickly exhausts the workmen, who deved by fresh hands. The work day and night till the bodies drift-mouth hundreds of women

children soon gathered, and the pic-of grief and despair is heartrending, error wringing their hands, weeping thers, and little children, sweet-s, and gray-headed grandparents are the greatest distress, for they have told that there is no hope. It is a note from which one turns sick at mine is ventilated by air-shafts or

the entry cut off the draft, and death as certain to those who breathed the LACKENED CORPSES REACHED.

latest details, at 4 o'clock, are to ffect that a way has been broken an the debris in the passage of 10, and the blackened corpses of dead miners were carried out one by he number of victims, first reported at

has reached 29. Two bodies recovered are those of zrees, which have not been recognized. the last to be brought out. Life had go been extinct in all the poor remnts of humanity stretched at the mouth

The latest reports say that the gas was trist ignited in No. 9, by Tom Hawkins, as inspector, on his usual morning round of the mines. The flames were rapidly communicated to entry No. 10 by means

side-passages. at work in Entry 9 escaped 10 entry the deadly gas drifted

Oscar Hawkins, one of the first men

lo get out of No. 5, will also die, making the twenty-ninth life sacrificed. Leech and Westfield, two negroes, were ound just outside the entry, having fallen fead just as they got beyond it.

CHARLES CITY.

New Trial Granted-An Acquittal-Major Drewry's Condition.

HOUSE, December 29 .- (Special.) -- County At the last term Wilson Hornscharged with outrageous assault. as found guilty, and his punishment wed at ten years in the penitentiary. The prisoner, by his counsel, R. T. Lacy, New Kent, moved to set aside the his court. The Judge, reviewing the cetimony at some length to-day, refused a interfere with the jury's finding upon the evidence; but subsequently granted new trial upon a motion for another caring, on the ground of newly-discov-Gathright, who was indicted yes-

tay morning by a special grand jury. stried in the afternoon, and the trial

dedicted in an acquittal.

Malor A. H. Drewry is still very sick to Westover, in this country; but his scaling is more favorable to-day. Great terest is manifested in this genial genwho is loved as a neighbor and

NEW COTTON-MILL IDEA.

rated by Convicts.

SALTIMORE, MD., December 20.-The Manufacturers' Record has received parculars of the first cotton-mill ever it in this country, if not in the world, be operated by convicts. The mill is to built by the State of Alabama, and uthful convicts, seven eights of them. reap good profits, as the cotton will raised by convicts on the State plan-ion and manufactured on the ground bee mills. The mill will be con-ted by convict labor; will be of brick on the ground, and the lumber will be sawed from trees standing on the

competent bullder will oversee the obstruction of the mill, the capacity of thich will be 5.000 spindles, 3.000 having ready been purchased, the intention

IMPORTANT MEXICAN DEALS.

unto, Rhodes, and the Rothschilds. MEXICO CITY, December 20 .- The most Mexico for many years are being mde, A. C. Butler, of South Africa, arside A. C. Butler, of South Africa, arwed a few days ago with a letter of
redit to the amount of \$15,000,000 from
arrey Barnato, Cecil Rhodes, and the
othschilds. He was given a cordial welcome by President Diaz, and the result
his visit is the investment of several
dillion dollars in the drainage tunnel
high the government has under way
ad in the city water-works.

Mr. Butler has also taken an option
on the street-railway system for \$1,000,0. This includes the entire street-car
rytice, not only of the city, but of the
ederal district.

VERY HEAVY TRACK.

Prospect of Fast Time at New Orleans Spoiled.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., December 29 -- A ery heavy track after the generous rains of yesterday spoiled all prospect of fast time or exciting contests for to-day's sport, and all the winers finished well in the van. The talent was in great form, four hot favorites winning easily. Major and aughlin broke down in the first race,

and it is thought is a hopeless cripple. Weather clear: track heavy.

First race—seven and a half furlongs—Linnet (104, Soden, 7 to 1) won, king Michael second, Baldur, third. Time, 133, Second race—one mile—Donaldson (107, J. Murphy, 8 to 3) won, Equinox second, Whisper third. Time, 1:31.

Third race—seven furlongs—Miss Rowett (104, Hall, 8 to 5) won, Ashland second, Sir Planet third. Time, 1:36 1-4.

Fourth race—one mile—Class (24, Davis, 3 to 1) won, Judge Debouse second, 'Squire third. Time, 1:36.

Fifth race—six furlongs—Domingo (107, Jones, 7 to 5) won, Barney Aaron, Jr., second, Bob Neville third. Time, 1:21.

ADMIRE "AFTER THE STORM."

the Rare Painting at Saks'. The veterans of the Soldiers' Home enjoyed a rare treat vesterday through the thoughtful courtesy of Mr. Gans, of A Saks & Co., who invited them to visit the store and see the beautiful painting, "After the Storm," on exhibition there Mr. Gans kindly sent comfortable con

Soldiers Home Veterans Look Upon

veyances out for the old soldiers and had them taken back after they had admired the wonderful work of art and looked to their hearts content upon the amus ing Parisian figures on exhibition in the

The visit of the veterans was a bright incident in the rather monotonous lives of these brave men who suffered and shed their blood in defence of the South-land. They were enthusiastic in their admiration of "After the Storm," as all of the thousands who have visited the store to see it are. The painting will only be here until the end of the month.

BOYS MUST BE ORDERLY.

Orders Against Use of Fireernekers Before Christmas.

The boys had better hold up their exu berance at the near approach of Christmas, and wait until the day arrives be fore they "let loose" with their fire fore they "let loose" with their fire-crackers, or else they had better keep a crackers, or else they had better keep a shorp lookout for the blue-coats. Chief Howard has issued orders that no poperackers, "baby-wakers," or other such explosives shall be fired until Christmas-Day, and has instructed the police to arrest any one guilty of disobeying his mandates. Particularly will the law be enforced where the offenders have not the excuse of tender years.

Last night a youth, 17 years old, was arrested at the Second Statlon for being disorderly and firing poperackers. He was bailed for his appearance in the Police Court to-day.

Mr. Surette's Closing Lecture.

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The final lecture in Mr. Surette's course on the development of music was given last night in the Young Men's Christian Association Hail, before a large and appreciative audience. The subject was "Beethoven," and the lecture dealt with the great symphonies and sonatas and the latter part of his life.

Mr. Surette gave a very interesting analysis of the great C-minor symphony, No. 5, which was played on two pianos by Miss Guillaume, Miss Minor, Professor Hahr, and Mr. Surette.

The four notes at the beginning, which Beethoven said symbolized faith knocking at a man's heart, a beautiful, beseeching second theme, a wonderful working out of these ideas—all these points were brought out by the lecturer in the course of his analysis.

The programme of Unstrations else

of his analysis.

The programme of illustrations also included the great Appassionata Sonata which was played by Professor Hahr.

Death of Mrs. Sarah A. Terry.

Mrs. Sarah A. Terry died at 2 o'clock esterday afternoon at her residence, No. 23 north Eighth street. She was 22 years f age, and had long been an invalid, laving suffered a stroke of paralysis

having suffered a stroke of paralysis many years ago.

Mrs. Terry was a Miss Parkinson, of New Kent county, and survived all the rest of her family. She was twice married, her first husband having been Mr. Franklin, and the second Mr. Terry, who died many years ago. Deceased leaves two children—Mrs. Ann E. Archer, with whom she lived, and Mr. Peter A. Franklin, of New York.

Mrs. Terry was probably the oldest member of Broad-Street Methodist church, having joined it when but 14 years of age. She was an earnest Christian, and took a deep interest in Church matters until her health failed.

The funeral will take place from the house at 3 o'clock to-morrow afternoon.

Shot with a Cannon

Already the deadly toy cannon is getting in its work. Mr. William Paul was firing one of these diminutive "guns" at his home, in Chesterfield county, Thursday, when it exploded, cutting his hand in a painful manner.

Personals and Briefs.

Mr. R. E. Jones will leave the city to-lay, to spend the Christmas holidays with friends and relatives in Buckingham

"The Birth of Christ" will be the sub-ject of Rev. Edward L. Peil's lecture at the Young Men's Christian Association this afternoon at 5 o'clock. Dr. T. E. Stratton, the newly-elected Physician to the Poor for the Third Dis-trict of the city, appeared before City-Clerk B. T. August yesterday and quali-

The Council Committee on Fire Department held a regular meeting last evening and passed upon a large number of epolications for permits to construct frame buildings in the city.

The annual meeting of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals was held last night. The officers' reports reviewed the good work of the organiza-tion during the year.

At Venable-Street Baptist church spe-cial Christmas services will be held to-morrow at 11 o'clock. At night Dr. E. Y. Mullins will preach the anniversary ser-mon before the Boys' Union.

Mr. John Skelton Williams was among the guests at the banquet given at Del-monleo's, New York, Thursday night in honor of the centennial of, the ratifica-tion of the Jay commercial treaty.

An unruly colt hitched to a sulky ran amuck at the corner of Seventh and Main streets yesterday, and, ridding himself of the sulky, cavorted up and down the street, until finally captured. No damage was done.

Otto Gundlock, a small white boy, residing at No. 394 Williamsburg avenue, while playing with some machinery at the factory of the Virginia and North Carolina Wheel Company yesterday, had one of his hands cut off.

Mr. William Holman Jennings, who left Virginia in October to accept a position with the Edgar Thompson Company, law, publishers, Northport, L. I., has been elevated to a place on the editorial staff of the Encyclopedia of Pleading and Practice.

The members of the German Choral Association held their regular weekly meeting on Thursday eight in Company B's room at the First Regiment Armory. The society is doing excellent work, and making arrangements to give a concert

shortly.

Mr. A. K. Schaap has invented a sprocket-wheel and chain which will prove a boon to bicycle-riders the world over. The device is known as the lever-chain and gives an increase of about 500 per cent. In power. Mr. Schaap will use tots device on the bicycle which he is now building.

The employees of the packing-room of the Whitlock Branch of the American fobacco Company presented their foreman, Mr. J. M. Fassett, with a gold-neaded cane Thursday. Speeches were nade by Mr. Harry Granger and Mr. Fassett, and the occasion was a most ceasant one.

Mr. Henry V. Banta, the "Boy Preacher," is in the city, and will preach it the Union Mission, on Broad street, sunday. He is connected with the Evan-relical Society, and though he is not more han 15 or 15 years of age, he has preached n some of the first churches in this sec-ion of the Union.

Richmonders in New York. NEW YORK, December 20.—(Special.)— J. S. Williams, Waldorf; L. Ashman, C. J. Mellin, Morton.

NEW YORK, December 20.—The spot dry-goods market has been decidedly inactive to-day. There is little spot trade in sight, but still it was small, even before this eventful week.

It is worth noting that an occasional bid for staples has been refused to-day, where some sellers appear to have reached the limit of their concessions for the moment, at any rate, but, otherwise, both tone and price are as last reported. In spring lines trade has been of moderate volume only.

In the woollen-goods department, some new lines of fancy or of worsted are opening at a slight advance on last sea-

A TALK WITH JARVIS

THE EX-MINISTER ON THE MONROE

DOCTRINE. Glad to See the President Supporting It-An Interesting Incident-Does Not Think There Will Be

GREENVILLE, N. C., December 29,-(Special.)-The complication between the United States and England over the Venezuelan affair being the absorbing topic at present, your correspondent, knowing that ex-Minister Thomas J. Jarvis had spent four years in South America, and was well posted on our foreign relations, interviewed him to-day to obtain some expression on the Presi-

Mr. Jarvis replied: "I have read the message with great pleasure and hearty approval. I am delighted to see the President take so bold a stand in support of the Monroe dectrine." "Did you give any special attention to

the Monroe doctrine while you were a Minister of the United States in South "Yes; immediately after my appointment I devoted my elf to the study of international law, and especially to Monroe doctrine in its applications to European relations with the South Ameri-

can countries. ASSERTED IT.

"Did you have any occasion to assert the Monroe doctrine while you were rep-resenting this country at the Govern-ment of Brazil?"

ment of Brazil?"
"Yes. The English Government was pressing the collection of a claim against the Government of Brazil. The English Minister addressed a very tart note to the Brazilian Minister of Foreign Affairs, which created intense excitement in the Brazilian Parliament, which was then in session. The situation was so acute that it looked for some days as if the English Minister's passport would be sent to him and diplomatic relations broken off. It was at this stage of the proceedings that the English Consul-Genewho was a man of long experience me, in which these laconic and

"English Consul-General: If we were to take possession of two of the Brazilian provinces and hold them till our claims are paid, do you think your government, in the maintenance of the Monroe doc-trine, would interfere? WOULD NOT PERMIT IT.

"American Minister: Yes, My govern-ment will not permit it; and, if your country does not desire to come in con-flict with mine you had better not at-

tempt it.
"In a few days the English Minister modified his attitude, and the matter was amicably settled. I do not say my position on the Monroe doctrine had any tion on the Monroe doctrine had any-thing to do with the amicable adjustment of the controversy, but I will say that I heard no more of seizing Brazilian terri-

tory."
"Do you think a war is imminent be-tween this country and England?"
"I do not. If the President maintains zuela without involving the United States Monroe doctrine, as Americans interpret

MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE. Administrator Against

Petersburg Railroad. RALEIGH, N. C., December 20.-Samue Drew, ex-Register of Deeds of Brunswick free, ex-register of Deeds of Branswick county, and member of the mercantile firm of E. F. Davis & Dew, has mysteri-ously disappeared. He conveyed his pro-perty, but it is found that the property is already mortgaged for its full value. Drew left home to go to Wilmington, and has not been heard from since.

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The Supreme Court affirms the verdict of the lower court in the notable case of W. R. Daniels, administrator of Pace, vs. the Petersburg Railroad Company, in which the plaintiff was awarded \$7,000 damages. Suit was brought against the railroad for \$16,000 damages for the killing of Charles Bee, at Garysburg, by John rior Court before a verdict could be reached, and at the last trial the jury gave a verdict for \$1,000. News has reached here that a million-

mer has been thinking for some time of making the college a gift, but its friends had no idea the gift would be so large.

ON AN OCEAN LINER. Some of the Interesting Incidents of

a Trip Across the Atlantic. (George Ade, in Washington Post.) On board of ship, where most of the comen lie forever wilted in the steamer chairs and the men are on a democratic equality of heavy coats and travelling caps, there can be no sharp distinctions

of caste.

The millionaire, who at home, is always surrounded by splendid suggestions of his social position, who can close his door against the world, if he chooses, and against the word, if he chooses, and carefully select his associates, is simply a first-class passenger after he comes aboard the steamer. He may engage special apartments, but he cannot get away from the motion of the ship in rough weather. If he goes on deck on a wet day he will have to be just as undig-nified as the other men who are staggernified as the other men who are stagger

nified as the other men who are stagger-ing along the shiny decks with the fine spray beating in their faces.

You take the most staid and awe-in-spiring notable in the world, bundle him in a damp stormcoat and pull a baggy travelling cap down over his ears, and there is none so humble as to do him reverence. One passenger may say to another as this great man teeters along the deck souiniting against the wind: he deck, squinting against the wind: Do you know who that man is?" "No, who is it?" "He's Mr. Bond, the head of the great

banking house in New York."
That's the end of it so far as any flat-tering attentions to Mr. Bond are con-cerned. If he goes in the smoking-room some beardless youth will invite him to sit in a game of poker. His confidential friend at the table may be a Montana friend at the table may be a Montana miner, a Chicago real estate agent, or a Kentucky horseman. He may hold himself aloof from the betting crowd and discourage those who would talk with him on deck, but he cannot by any possibility be a man of importance. Compared with the captain, for instance, he is a more nyemy.

One pleasant afternoon on board of the Etruria the president of a great railway corporation, a Scotch-American farmer going to visit his old home, and two small boys were playing a four-cornered game of quoits. The boys laughed, heartily at the railway president's wild throws and applauded the Scotchman, who went at quoit-throwing with all the determined and serious resolve of his race. None of the people on deck appeared to know that the bad thrower was the president of a railway. No particular consideration was shown him, and he certainly was not as popular as the actor who auctioned off the pools in the smoking-room, and who in three days had learned the names of all the betting men, although he could not have told the home address or business occupation of any one of them.

In the humdrum life on bosrd ship small events naturally become magnified by contrast, and bits of gossip are as precious as in a small town. There is always is a mere pygmy.

a feverish anxiety at noon to know what the run of the ship has been. If the ba-rometer goes up and the captain tells some one about it, the chances are that all the passengers on deck will be discuss-ing the rise within a half hour and won-dering what it signifies.

A game of shuffleboard on deck becomes a contest of magnitude.

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a contest of magnitude.

Those who cannot get into the game stand about and offer suggestions. The storekeeper becomes, for the time beling, a man of importance, and the victors have something to talk about at dinner.

On board the Lucania the deck-stewards serve tea, cakes, and butterscoten at 5 o'clock each afternoon. This is an important incident in the daily routine of those who attempt to hibernate in rugs and wraps through a six-days' run. They straighten up in their steamer chairs, with cups and saucers balanced in their laps, nibble a few gingersnaps, sip the tea, partake sparingly of the candy, and then fall wearily back for two hours of lazy doxing before the trumpet On board the Lucania the deck-stewards hours of lazy dozing before the trumpet

Many of these passengers, with whom a voyage is one long battle against sickness, seem to have an unlimited capacity for rest. The unbearable creature who is never sick, never misses a meal, walks the deck before breakfast, enjoys bad weather, and sleeps more soundly when the ship

is rolling is always moving among the limp victims, telling them that what they need is exercise—exercise—keep moving around, and, above all, don't think of seasickness.

It is only in the second cabin that the informality becomes that of a big fami-ly. First-cabin passengers, even when they get into old clothes and stormcoats, are under the restraint of habit, and they do not care to become too joyous. They have one concert during the voyage, but in the second cabin the concert goes on all the time.

Any one who can play on the plano, sing, or recite is called into service. The entertainment is not always of a high

sing, or restrict is called into service. The entertainment is not always of a high order, but it is spiced with good-fellow-ship, and the audience is patient and appreciative. On the Etruria, going over, and on the Lucania, coming back, never a pleasant evening passed but the firstcable passengers invaded the second-cable deck and stood around the open port-holes to hear the songs and recitations. Life in the second-cable, therefore, has its compensations. The passengers are restricted to their end of the prome-nade deck, and when the ship pitches they get more motion than if they were nearer amidships, but their fellow travelhearer amidships, but their fellow travelers are ready companions, a spirit of fellowship pervades the music-room, and, as an old traveller expressed it, "There wouldn't be any objection to going second-class if it were not for the knowledge that you were being restricted as to privileges."

One of the most interesting corners on coard the Etruria was the printing office. It was a little cubby-hole of a place, with

It was a little cubby-hole of a place, with a varied display of job work and photographs on the walls. There was hardly room for two people in the place, so the visitor stood in the doorway.

The ship's printer finds plenty of work. The ship's printer finds plenty of work the first place, he must print the bills of fare, three a day. On the first day out he must publish the corrected list of saloon passengers. This list in the form saloon passengers. This list, in the form of a pamphlet with an illustrated cover, is placed at each plate in the dining-saloon, and is always eagerly sought for. Not until this list appears do's it be-come known that there are several mem-bers of the nobility aboard, and everybody wonders which of the foreign-looking men who have begun to drink brandy-and-soda and expostulate is really the count. The printer must provide the pro-

grammes for the Thursday evening con cert, and here he does his very best, us-ing his stock cuts to illustrate the cover and inserting the portentous paragraph mission of the captain.

On the last day of the voyage the printer gets out an abstract of the log, showing the run for each day, the latitude and

longitude at each noonday observation, the directions of the wind, the total dis-tance traversed from Sandy Hook to Daunt's Rock, and the corrected time of the passage.

One of the printed abstracts is given each passenger after the steamer has started up the Mersey toward Liverpool. The printer was justly proud of a Fourth of July special programme which he had devised for the Americans on

board, but he had one explanation to

make. "I felt dreadfully cut up when I heard it was a mistake," said he. He had printed it "General Abraham

At the meeting in London of the Egypt Exploration Fund, the other day, Mr. D. G. Hogarth, the well-known explorer, said that the excavations of last season had copvinced him that there was no hope of the preservation of any of the contents of the libraries of Alexandria within the city. Not only has the subsoil water risen generally above the Roman level, but, even where the water does not reach there is a great deal of damp sucked up by capillary attraction, so that there is no chance, even if any papyri were found in Alexandria, of their being legible at the present day. Mr. Hogarth emphatically expressed his conviction that, whether the great libraries were totally destroyed or not, there are were totally destroyed or not, there are not under the houses of Alexandria at this day literary remains of any one of them. One of the main reasons for stop-ping the work at Alexandria was that, oling the work at Alexandria was the very below the water-lever, everything was found to be in the utmost state of ruin; walls knocked down, pavements ripped up, everything as it would be left after the most awful sack and pillage. This had been the experience of every excavator there. The explanation of This had been the experience of every excavator there. The explanation of this fact could only be sought he thought, in the history of Alexandria, and he suspected that the Arabs were more responsible for it than even the early Christians or the Roman mob. After the Arab conquest any of the books which remained would naturally drift from Alexandria to Cairo. It is not, however, the rainy delta that they must be Alexandria to Cairo. It is not, however, in the rainy delta that they must be sought, he declared, but higher up the Nile, where man has been less active. It is only to Egypt, he said, that we can look with any confidence, to the Fayum, and to the upper valley of the Nile, for the lost classics—perhaps for Sappho and Menander—and for the missing early Christian literature.

(Staunton Vindicator.)

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Most public men of any force have enemies, but Governor O'Ferrall seems to have had the luck of arraying against himself some of, the pettiest that ever fell to the lot of any one man. As long as they confined themselves to the "spite work" of the children, whom they seem to resemble in their methods, it has been distinctly their own affair; but has been distinctly their own affair; but when they come to involving the State in it, it is time for the grown people of the State to put in a word of remonstrance. We see a statement to the effect that it is proposed in the Legislature to introduce a resolution censuring the Executive for dispatching treops to Pocahontas, and maintaining them there to protect the cool printing properties. With tect the coal-mining properties. We out going again over the narration discussion of the incidents attending out going again over the narration or discussion of the incidents attending the Governor's action, we may say that the action itself gained for Virginia a reputation all over the Union, worth millions of dollars to her. It gave the world authoritative assurance that every dollar of capital from abroad invested in Virginia would be protected from the results of mob violence at any cost, whether the mob was "union men" or what not. And it gave the further assurance that any man who was willing to work, whether a "union man" or what not, should be protected at his work at any cost. That the Legislature of the State should contemplate for a moment the undoing and blotting out from the mind of the country the good impression made by Governor O'Ferrall's action is so costly a piece of folly that we cannot think it possible. On the contrary, some true friend of the Commoswealth should introduce a resolution heartily endorsing that action, and thereby make still more enduring the good name given his State by it.

THE STATE OF TRAD

POPULAR FEELING MOVED BY THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

Markets Do Not Act, However, as If Any Rupture of the Country's Foreign Relations Were to Be Ex-

NEW YORK, December 20.-Messrs, R. G. Dun & Co., in their weekly review of will say to-morrow:

The failures for the two weeks of Deember show liabilities of \$6,510,451, against \$6,840,401 last year, and \$11,679,056 for the ame weeks of 1893.

The failures for the week have been 377 in the United States, against 349 last year, and 32 in Canada, against 36 last

The strong Americanism of the President's message has given its character to the week. Popular feeling was profoundly moved, but, excepting in the stock and cotton markets, business was remarkably dull and scarcely affected. The selling of securities held abroad was a natural first impulse, though the sellers are not unlikely in time to discover that no securities are safer from international complications markets in this country do not act upon the theory that any rupture of for-eign relations is to be expected. Coming at a time when nearly all produce mar-kets are inactive and industries dull the disturbance has affected values much

the disturbance has affected values much less than might have been expected.

Not because of any foreign question, but solely because of influences which have been in continuous operation for months, the prices of manufactured goods have continued to decline. The prices of fron and steel have fallen about 3 per cent. for the week, and are now 3 per cent, below their maximum, Besemer pig and Grey forge and most kinds seemer pig and Grey forge and most kinds of finished products having yielded more or less. The purchases by the great steel companies, it is now evident, were much in excess of their actual consumption, and it is believed that some furnaces will have to suspend production, as the de-mand for manufactured products is too

There is no change of importance in the market for cotton goods, which is not active enough to prevent some ac-cumulation. Print cloths are a shade weaker. cumulation. Print cloths are a shade weaker.

The market for woollen goods has not improved. Sales of wool are mainly con-fined to the immediate needs of manufac-turers, who are buying but little ahead. The imports of woollen goods continue very large, though smaller than a month ago.

the place in a measure of estimates of yield, as markets for goods are generally dull. There was a shade of advance in the price until foreign questions disturbed the market, but it closed with

A MISSIONARY MURDERED. His Church Burned-Moussa Bey

Captured at Bagdad. CONSTANTINOPLE, December 20 .- Ad

stating that Rev. Sir Agnanian, widely known among Baptists in the United States has been murdered and his church burned; also that Moussa Bey, the notorious Kurdish brigand, of Bitlis, has been captured at Bagdad.

Five years ago Moussa Bey wounded Rev. Mr. Knapp, an American missionary, for which offence he was tried in Constantinople, and, despite overwhelming evidence of his guilt, was acquitted by a corrupt tribunal. The United States Minister and the American missionaries in Turkey resented this verdict so strenuously that, in deference to their feelings of indignation the Porte exiled Moussa to Medina, from which place he made his escape a short time ago.

Spree Still on the Rocks

LONDON, December 29.—Another effort was made at the height of the flood-tide last night to float the German-Lloyd steamer Spree from the Warden Ledge, Isle of Wight, but the attempt was un-successful. Six powerful tugs, working in concert, aided by the Spree's engines, failed to move her an inch from her position on the rocks.

PITTSBURG, PA., December 20.—Nine indictments have been returned against ex-City - Attorney and Assistant W. H. House. Three indictments charge each of the defendants with making contracts with three banks used as depositories of city funds. Three are against Moreland and House jointly, and three charge Moreland with having made such contracts, aided and abetted by House. The indictments are framed under section 63 of the Act of March 31, 1899. Indictments at Pittsburg.

Dunraven Inquiry Postponed.

NEW YORK, December 20.—The investigation by the New York Yacht Club of the charges made by Lord Dunravan was not commenced this afternoon, as was announced. The meeting has been postponed to Friday, December 27th.

Philadelphia Strike Off. PHILADELPHIA, PA., December 20.— The strike of the Union Traction em-ployees has been declared off.

Wirelets Still Warm Kingston, Jamaica.—The British steamer Para arrived with sixty cases of measies aboard. She was denied pratique, and or-dered in quarantine.

Dallas, Tex.—John Britt & Brother, general merchants at Chico and Alvord, failed. Liabilities, \$55,000; assets, comparatively insignificant.

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St. Louis, Mo.—Suit has been commenced by Messrs, Moore, Gannett & Co. against Rose & Pearl, the brokerage firm, in which the plaintiffs seek to recover the sum of \$20,000, embezzled by their book-keeper, Alfred L. Avery, and lost in option transactions alleged to have been negotiated through the firm of Rose & Pearl. The suit is of interest to hours of trade, as upon its conclusion the result of the war against bucket-shop traders will largely depend.

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New Orleans, La.—It has been stated that ex-Governor Waymouth represented the interests of ex-President Harrison at Thursday's meeting of the State Republican Executive Committee. The aftermath of the committee's meeting develops the fact that ex-Governor Kellogg and his forces, led by Leonard and Hero, were entirely routed by Warmouth, assisted by ex-Collector-of-Internal-Revenue Wimberly and State-Senator Demas, Leonard admits his defeat. He says there will be a united Republican party in the State henceforth, but will not concede that McKinley will get the entire delegation. The best-posted Republicans, howe say The best-posted Republicins, however, say that Warmouth's victory is the first gun fired for "Napoleon" McKinley.



BRANSFORD.—Died, December 20, 1895, his residence, 622 China street, at his residence, 622 China atr. CHARLES L. BRANSFORD.
Notice of funeral will appear in St. day morning's Dispatch.

The Grand Retailing The People's Store.

Pushing a Great Stock at Special Underpricing Marks,

when merchants far and wide are gathering large profits from even little stocks. The liberal hand of modern storekeeping deals in merchandise at what it will sell for. The many thousands spent to create a grand holiday display stare all possibilities of ordinary selling in the face.

SANTA CLAUS

is here with a collection of WARES such as Richmond has never seen.



accept the necessity and affix a price on every article for the ensuing days to Christmas that shall bring about proper and normal conditions.

The store is open every evening until 10 o'clock with

Professor Stein's Theatre Orchestra Music

to entertain you. You are welcome to bring your children to enjoy the brilliant Christmas preparation over all parts of the store.

Here is the Umbrella selling:

Men's Handsomest All-Silk \$5 Um-brellas, with sterling-silver trimmings, reduced to \$5.59.

Men's Silk Carola, with silver trim-mings, for \$1.98, instead of \$2.38.

To-day will sell a lot of near 309 Ladles' and Men's Umbrellas at prices that seem like giving them away.

Men's Silk-Serge, plain or trimmed han-dles. dies.
Ladies' Silk-Serge or Carola Umbrellas,
with handles of Dresden, crystals,
oxidized silver, Japan oak, trimmed,
and other new effects; the entire lot
to be sold for \$1.25 each.

HANDKERCHIEFS were the lowest ever sold, but quantities are beyong possibility.

Here are new prices for to-day: Men's Pure-Linen 35 and 37c. Handker-chiefs go for 20c. each.
Men's Colored-Bordered Handkerchiefs,
12-1-2 and 15c. ones, go for 9c.
Men's Initial Handkerchiefs, hemstitched, were 12-1-2c., now 9c.
Ladies' French Embroidered Pure-Linen
Centon, were 98c.; too many; go to
50c.

50c. Ladies' Fine Sheer Linen, Plain Hem-stitched, and Novelties in the em-broidered kind, were 46 and 48c.; we reduce them to 25c. Ladies' Pure-Linen, sheer and fine, hand hemstitched, 19c, was the mark, now 12 1-2c.

For Rc. each, choice, we add to-day Handkerchiefs (where quantity is to large), costing up to 6 and 10c.

Mink Boas and Ostrich-Feather Boas. Too many is the only fault. Mink Boas, with open, spring mouths, were \$1.52; the new price is 69c.
Ostrich-Feather Boas, were \$1.49; the new price is \$1 each.
\$10 Feather Boas for \$7.
\$7.55 Boas for \$5.
\$15 ones for \$11.50.
Fine Fur Sets at reduced prices.

SALE OF PORTIERES. Near five hundred pairs are here almost for the taking. Derby Satin Damask Portieres, value \$9.50, for \$5.75.

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Chenille Portieres, wide, double dado, wess \$4.75 for \$2.12 a pair.
Two-Tone Satin-Damask Portieres, were \$5. for \$2.88 a pair.
Procatelle Portieres, \$7.50 ones, for \$4. Velour Portieres, made to sell at \$12. for \$7 a pair.
Chenille Table-Covers, for 33c.
Derby Damask Covers for \$1.38. Fur Rugs, size 24x40, lined and

wadded, for \$1,90. Silk Petticoats. New sorts-Trilby, in the umbrella styles, with a rustling music in them, \$5 to

Moirine, Trilby styles or umbrella ruffles, for \$1.98 to \$1.50.
Alpaca Skirts, with silk ruffles, umbrella styles, for \$4. Flannel Shirt-Waists, pretty fit-

ting, with yoke back, box plaiting or gathered fronts, finished with braid, \$1.50 each. Holiday preparations in the Linen stock prove what good storekeepis worth to you. We make some

of the wares near half their worth to bring the stock down. Table-Sets, Table-Centres, Table-Cloths, Carving-Cloths, Fancy Towels, Tray-Covers, Tidles, Napkins, etc.

The Book Stock has made a new record for itself-double the employees of a year ago, with more than double the books to choose from. The greatest wonder is the novel creation of the picturesqueforeign and American ideas, Prices

are our own way of seiling. WOMEN'S WRAPS go for near half, too. The newest and best of the past two weeks.

CHRISTMAS CANDY, 4 pounds for 25c. French Mixtures, 18c. grade, for 19c. a pound. Crystallized Fruit, in boxes, 25c. a box. Baskets and Canes from 5c. Mixed Taffy, 19c. a pound. Boston Chips, for 15c. Caramels, 18c. Oc. a pound; all of them pure and orientally made under our own supervision.

Unusual barrains in Pocket-Books, Card-Cases, etc. Your name or initial printed in gold on all purchases to the amount of \$1.25 and upwards free of charge.

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French Cair Chatelaine Bags, for &c. each; usual price, \$1.

Real Alligator Combination Cases, for &c. usual price, \$1.25.

Leopard-Skin Combination Cases, with sterling-silver trimmings, for \$1.50; value, \$2.50.

Russian-Caif, Seal, and Fancz Leather Purses, for &c each; usual Brice, \$8c. All-Leather Combination Pocket-Books, for &c. each: Usual price, \$1.25.

Real India Snake Combination-Cases, with sterling-silver trimmings, for \$2.50; value, \$5c.

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Year Sterling-Sterling Sterling Soc.

Children's Solid-Gold Filled Rings, for 10c. each; value, 25c.

Richmond College Stick-Pins, 5c. each; value 10c.

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De RUGGIST SUNDRIES.

The Best-Quality Florida-Water, 2ic. a bottle, usual price, 5oc.
Hudnut's Smelling-Salts, 25c. a bottle; value, 50c.
A 25c. box of the Best Tooth-Powder for 10c.
Imported Satchet-Powder, 35c. an ounce; value, 50c.
Celluloid Dressing-Combs, 19c. each; value, 29c. value, 29c. Tortoise-Shell Dressing-Combs, 40c. each. 4711 Eau de Cologne, 25c, a bottle, Moustache Combs, with silver handles.

Mustache Combs, with silver handles, 25c, each.
Real Bohemian Atomizers, 15c, each; value, 29c, Cut-Glass Atomizers, 51 and upwards, 29c, Perfume-Atomizers for 39c, each, White-Metal Comb- and Brush-Sets that were \$2.79, now \$1.79.
French-Plate Mirrors, with white-metal frame, for 23c, each; value, 39c, Silver and Gold Hat-Brushes, 21c, each. Remarkable selling in the base-

Neatly Decorated 10-Piece Toilet-Sets, extraordinary bargain, at only \$1.79.

ONE PURCHASE, 20 CASES, BEAUTIFUL CARLSBAD CHINA PLACED ON SALE AT ONE THIRD TO ONE HALF THE REAL VALUE; IN THIS LOT ARE FINE CHINA PLACES, ALL SIZES, CUPS AND SAUCERS, ALL SIZES, SAUCE- AND FRUIT-DISHES, BONE-DISHES, ETC., ETC., WORTH UP TO \$3 DOZEN; FOR THIS SALE, UNTIL SOLD, 10 CENTS.

"EAGLE" GAS-HEATER, HIGHLY-POLISHED, CORRUGATED COPPER REFLECTOR, A POWERFUL HEATER; SUITABLE FOR BEDOR BATH-ROOM; REGULAR \$5.90, FOR \$2.95.

31 Handsome Toilet-Sets, beautiful new shapes, rich colorings, 10 pieces, \$5.50 Sets, selling for \$3.50.

Better grades, worth up to \$8.75; will sell at \$5.

Ivorine Statuary, at 25 and 50c; not one third value.

500 pairs Extra-Fine Thin-China Cups and Saucers, exquisite shapes, magnificent decorations, worth up to \$5.50; choice, 25.

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35-CENT Plates, 15c.
60-CENT Plates, 25c.
75-CENT Plates, 25c.
52 Plates, 99c.
BEAUTIFUL VASES, WORTH UP TO \$1, CHOICE, 19 CENTS.
Real Satsuma Vases, 12 inches high, rich colorings, a \$5 value, for \$1.50.
3-Piece-Set Bric-a-Brac, for cabinets, very dainty, per set, 25c.; worth double and triple.
A handsome collection Chocolate-Pots, worth \$2 each; dainty decorations, beautiful shapes, at 38c.

\$25 Dinner Sets, \$13.50.

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21 Finest Carlsbad-China Dinner-Sets, phought to close an estate, magnificent shape, daintily decorated, 100 pieces, complete, for twelve persons—a splendid \$25 Set. \$13.50.

Beautiful English-China Dinner-Sets, 114 pieces, latest French shape, warranted under-glaze decoration, and will be offered at half price; best \$15 value, for \$1.50.

Handsome Jardinleres and Pedestals, English pottery, rich roccoo decorations, complete (2 pieces), for \$1.58.

LAMPS, TABLES.

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25 Solid-Brass Lamps, corrugated columns, open-work base, heavy embossed head, warranted, central-draft burner, a regular \$2.50 Lamp, for \$85.

Onyx-Column Lamps, full-height, warranted central-draft burner—a \$2.50 Lamp, for \$1.

Reai Gold-Plated Banquet-Lamps, fill-gree style base, Rochester style fount a beauty—a \$5 article, for \$1.50.

SEVERAL LINES OF BANQUET-LAMPS, WARRANTED GOLD-PLATES, WORTH UP TO \$12.50; TO BE CLOSED OUT AT \$5.

BEAUTIFUL ONYX-TOP TABLES TO MATCH ABOVE LAMPS, at \$3.55.
\$4.49, \$6.75, and \$3.95.

Special sale Silk Lamp-Shades.

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Still further reductions in Toys.

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Tin Toys, a great variety, sold up to 25c., choice, 19c.

Malleable-Iron Toy-Wagons, sold up to 50c., at 19c.

Iron Banks, worth 50c., for 19c.

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Dolls' High-Chairs, worth 22c., at 19c.

Doll-Houses, worth 12, at 50c.

Buck and Saws, large size, worth 11.

for 59c.

20c. Laundry-Sets, for 19c.

50c. Doll-Chairs, for 25c.

41 Express-Wagons, 50c.

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22 Express-Wagons, 51-8.

35 Girls' Tricycles, 52-98.

36.0 Wheelbarrows, 15c.

50c. Shels, 24c.

98c. Doll-Carriages, 50c.

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27 BOYS FOOT-Balls, 39c.

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Ladies' or Gentlemen's Rattan Rocking Chairs, sixteenth century finish, a splendid \$3.50 value, for

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